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TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H. *JEF*
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SUBJECT: **ACCEPTANCE OF A SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FROM AETNA
FOUNDATION**

This is to notify you that the Department of Public Health (DPH) Office of Women's Health (OWH) will accept funding from the Aetna Foundation in the amount of \$3,500 as part of the Aetna's Women's Health Initiative. This funding will be used to fund activities based on recommendations from the 2007 Women's Health Policy Summit, including educational briefs and educational sessions and/or trainings.

In April 2009, based on a recommendation from the 2007 Women's Health Policy Summit OWH held a Cultural Competency Convening. Funding from Aetna will allow OWH to print and distribute the findings from this conference. An outcome of the convening was the recommendation to provide cultural competency training on lesbian health needs to County and community health care professionals and providers. The funding will be used to provide these trainings.

Another recommendation from the 2007 Women's Health Policy Summit was to focus on worksite wellness, especially for businesses that employ low-wage earning women. This funding will help support this effort through focus groups and/or educational sessions with businesses.

Additionally, OWH will develop a health brief on the eight years of data, analysis, and lessons learned from operating the Women's Health Mobile Clinic. This brief will be distributed to all appropriate stakeholders.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please let me know.

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